

Questions & Answers
East Central Coop
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The bid requirements say the two groundwater extraction trenches are to be operated for six months, starting approximately March 1, 2008.

Question: Are they operating (pumping) now? One or both? If just one, which?

If not operating, is power available to them (or it) at this time, or will it have to be re-connected by the power company?

Answer: Both trenches are being operated at this point in time. A cost cap was approved for the current consultant to maintain the trenches during this bid process.

Question: Can you indicate the nominal pumping rates and/or horsepower of the trench pumps, when working?

Answer: Per the current consultant, each trench is pumping at about 0.5 gpm.

Question: Please clarify the trench sampling requirements. Are the trench sumps to be sampled with each sampling of the monitoring well network? That would be 6 sampling events. The 'tabulation of costs for each activity' table implies this is the case. But the trenches have only been sampled annually in the last 4 years, and the 'minimum bid requirements' verbiage is a little ambiguous. It sort of implies the trenches are only to be sampled once - in that first round, three months post-excavation. Given the limited, 6-month operating frame for the trench pumping activity, that would make sense too.

Again, please clarify.

Answer: The two trench sumps are to be included during all sampling events.